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To: Superintendents
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Re: Information Works! 2004

The 2004 Information Works! Web site, www.infoworks.ride.uri.edu, is on line as of today. As you may know, this year reports are being posted on the site as and when they are ready; the site will be completed by April.

Two pages of the school reports are posted. One page includes the assessment and accountability data (report on 2003 assessments, the "value-added" report showing how well students in each school performed compared with similar students statewide, the index scores for the school as whole and for all groups of students, and the school-performance classification information). The other page contains school-level data on suspensions.

Statewide tables showing assessment data, school-performance classifications, value-added indicators, and school-climate responses from the SALT Survey are also posted.

Over the next six weeks, we will be posting school-level data on finances (In\$ite), demographics, SALT survey responses, learning-support indicators, attendance and dropout rates, teacher-quality information, and other indicators. We will also be posting the district reports, which will contain the school information aggregated to the district level. And we will complete the posting of the State Report Card, which will also be published in booklet form by May.

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